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PATENT 3940/3928A (CPA)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Chen, et al.  
CONTINUED  
APPLICATION OF  
SERIAL NO: 08/997,774  
FILED: December 24, 1997 with a first CPA filed November 21, 2000  
TITLE: CATALYTIC CONVERTER SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE POWERED VEHICLES  
ART UNIT: 1764  
EXAMINER: H. Tran

March 29, 2001

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE  
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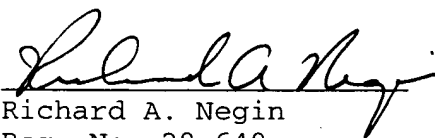
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed December 29, 2000 finally rejecting claims 1-15 and 17-20.

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